Resolution of the City of Minneapolis

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Declaring the week of May 17, 2015 as National Public Works Week

Whereas, the American Public Works Association (APWA) will celebrate the 55th Annual National Public Works Week, which will be held the third week in May with the theme "Community Begins Here"; and

Whereas, National Public Works Week is a celebration of the men and women who play a crucial role and are dedicated in strengthening our community, designing and maintaining infrastructures, and improving our quality of life; and

Whereas, public works services provided in our community are an integral part of our citizens' everyday lives; and

Whereas the department facilitated over 100 meetings in the community to engage residents and stakeholders regarding recycling, bikeways, street paving, redesign and reconstruction projects; and

Whereas, the support of an understanding and informed citizenry is vital to the efficient operation of public works systems and programs such as water, sewers, streets, and solid waste collection; and

Whereas, the health, safety and comfort of this community greatly depends on these facilities and services; and

Whereas, the quality and effectiveness of these facilities, as well as their planning, design, and construction, are vitally dependent upon the efforts and skill of public works officials; and

Whereas, the efficiency of the qualified and dedicated personnel who staff the public works department is materially influenced by the people's attitude and understanding of the importance of the work they perform;

Now, Therefore Be It Resolved by the City Council of the City of Minneapolis:

That the City Council acknowledges the significant daily contribution that the employees within the Public Works Department of the City of Minneapolis provide to the citizens and businesses throughout the City, during National Public Works Week.